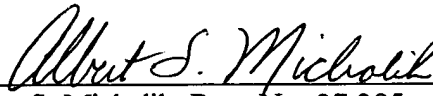


If the Examiner feels a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (425) 653-3520.

Signed at Bellevue, in the County of King and State of Washington June 26, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

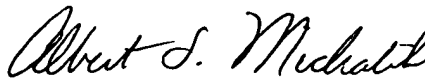


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